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take periodicals from the office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is prima facia evidence of intentiona fraud.

# The Poet's Tolumn.

SPEAK GENTLY.

BY J. W. WELCH. Speak gently to thy father,
For he is aged now,
The frost of many Winters
Have fallen on his brow.
Soon, soon above his sleeping dust
The willow tree will wave;
Then try by gentle words to smooth
His pathway to the grave.

Speak gently to thy mother, 'Twas she who gave thee birth; She watched o'er thee in infancy,

And guarded the in youth, She, too, will soon be called away To a better home above— Speak gently to thy mother The words of deepest lovo.

Speak gently to thy sister, Speak gently to thy sister,
Thee she doth fondly love,
Then never let an unkind word
Her gentle spirit move.
Uphold her as she roams along
Through life's oft weary day,
And should she weep, with friendly han
Wipe those tears away.

Speak gently to thy brother,
Whate'er his lot may be.
And do thou his shortcomings scan
With heartfelt charity—
When tears of grief bedim his eye,
Then be thou by his side,
If he be joy, join in his mirth—
If rude why gently chide.

Speak gently to thy fellow-man,
Of high or lowly birth;
Speak gently to him if he's poor
Or rich in things of earth.
Speak gently thou to every one,
Kind words will cost thee nothing,

#### BENSEOPATHY.

Take the open air—
The more you take the better—
Follow Nature's laws
To the very letter.

Let the doctors go
To the Bay of Biscay—
Let alone the Gin,
The Brandy and the Whiskey,

Freely exercise; Keep your spirits cheerful, Let no dread of sickness Make you ever fearful.

Eat the 'mple food, Drink the pure cold water, Then you will be well, Or at least you oughter.

### EVER WILL REMEMBER THEE

I ever will remember thee,
Though others I forget,
For thou will ever be with me
Till life's bright sun shall set;
Thy gentle form and speaking eye
In beauty ever seen—
A present, fond reality,
And not a famished dream.

# Miscellancons.

TO THE PUBLIC.

WESTPORT, Aug. 16, 1856. It has been our duty to keep correctly and fully advised of the movements of the Abolitionists. We knew that since Lane commenced his march, the Abolitionists in the Territory were engaged in stealing To Cluss:—Five copies will be sent to one address for \$17.—
Identy to one address for \$32. Forty to one address for \$32. Forty to one address for \$32. Invariably IN ADVANCE. and preparing immediately on their arriexpelling or exterminating every Pro-Slavery settler.

We have seen them daily becoming more daring as Lane's party advanced .-We have endeavored to prepare our friends to the end, which was foreseen, and which

assassin and robber, with a party of about tacked. three hundred Abolitionists, attacked and drove into Missouri, Cook and a colony of numbered in all, men, women, children Action!! Action!!! and slaves, about two hundred! Their houses were burned, all their property (even to the clothes of the children) taken or destroyed!

in Lykins Co., and drove him into Mis- stated by himself, herewith enclosed. souri, robbing him of everything. He is a and was attacked for attempting to pro-

deposited there broke open, and robbed the rauders.

ach Treadwell's settlement, in Douglas ing from Iowa Point to Lecompton. county, numbering about 30 men. The Abolitionists numbered about 400 men, men out of Douglass county and destroyunder the command of Brown and Walker, ing their property. The fugitives are arwell mounted and armed.

robbed and plundered.

progress of the traitors. We have not ready to-morrow. time to give further details. We give these that you may see that it is no outbreak, but an organized campaign.

We believe that ere this Lecompton is taken. In ten days not one Pro-Slavery settler will be left on the South side o Kansas River, unless instant aid be given

Our friends on the north side, scattered and unprepared, will then be exterminated and expelled.

We give you no mere rumors, but a instantly to the rescue!

The Abolitionists proclaim that "no ery man must be exterminated." What will be your reply?

D. B. ATCHISON. W. H. RUSSEL.

A. G. BOONE. B. F. STRINGFELLOW.

Poulticing .- Abernethy, the celebrated physician, was never more displeased than by having a patient detail a long account of troubles. A woman knowing Abernethy's love of the laconic, having burned her hand, called at his house. Showing him the hand, she said:

"A burn." "A poultice," quickly answered the earned doctor.

The next day she returned and said: "Better."

"Continue poultices," replied Dr. A. In a week she made her last call, and ner speech was lengthened to three words: "Well-your fee !"

"Nothing, said the gratified physician.

Leavenworth Journal Extra. More Outrages!

COL. TITUS MURDEREDS Nine Hundred Abolitionists with Five

> pieces of Artillery at Lecompton !! The City Surrounded.

Mr. Rodrigue, Express, has just arriv ed, bringing intelligence of the attack on Col. Titus' house, and the probable murder of the entire party. There were 30 men in the house, and it was surrounded

the escape of a single man-Another portion of the Abolition forces attacked the house of G. W. Clarke, in- but were finally overpowered by Lane's dian Agent. About two hours after the destruction of Col. Titus' house, and while the Express was leaving, the roar of the the field. Andrew Preston, Esq., woundkilled, Editor Southern Advocate killed. not respond to the following earnest and

Up citizens of Kansas and come to the rescue. All the women and children of Georgians which had settled near Ossa- Lecompton are driven from the city and wattamie. This colony was unarmed, and are now coming to this city, Action!

#### STILL LATER.

12 o'clock P. M. To all true pro-slavery men in Missou-

Free State Man, but sustains the laws, ed Franklin, six to 800 men strong at. kind of amunition. Our friends are now right up into a double-breasted molasses tacked Col. Titus near Lecompton, who stationed in Sheriff Jones' house, as many doughnut; and have warts on his disposicure the arrest of the murderers of Wilkin- had about thirty men, battered dewn his as can, and will fight to the last. Will tion as large as pertater balls. Think of On the 12th inst., 300 Abolitionists un- left, killed a number of his men and took less we get help we will all be murdered. der Brown, many of them Lane's men, at- him and the balance of his men prisoners.

tacked a house occupied by the Pro-Slavery | They attacked the guard of the U. S. nen in Franklin. Our friends numbering troops who had in charge Robison and the but 14. made a gallant fight until their other prisoners who surrendered, not firing house was set on fire. The Abolitionists a gun and are now in the hands of Lane's ook the cannon which had been left at men. It is impossible to state in a letter that place, all the territoral arms that were all the outragee committed by these ma- Here is an example:

We have had five expresses from differ-On the 15th inst, they proceeded to at- ent parts of the Territory since this morn-

They are driving all the pro-slavery riving every hour.

foot, we fear that most of them have fall- expresses to-night to St. Joseph, Liberty, ner." en. Our friends are constantly coming in, Platte City, and to Westport. To arms at once, and come to the rescue. We are Hourly expresses arrive announcing the all under arms here to-night, and will be

E. C. McCARTY, Pres. Law and Order Party. G. W. CLARK.

C. T. HARRISON, Sec'ries.

H. R. POLLARD, About 10 o'clock on the morning of the

15th inst., a party of eighteen P. S. men can form no conception. are surrounded by Gen Lane's whole army, 800 strong, and cut their way through with the loss of two men killed and ten wounded. The same men, about 400 or 500 abolitionists, surrounded Col. Titus' simple statement of undoubted facts. We house, having with them a piece of cannon; say to you that war, organized, matured, after an hour's defence and until most of is now being waged by the Abolitionists. his men were killed, Titus surrendered .-And we call on all who are not prepared It is feared that as he was not summoned to see their friends butchered, to be them- to surrender he was executed on the spot. selves driven from their homes, to rally General Clark escaped with his family across the river before Lane's army reached that point, and are now at Col. McCarquarter will be given!" "Every Pro-Sla- ty's in this city. Gov Shannon and nearly all the citizens of Lecompton escaped .-Lieutenant Woodson, being forted up in the house with his family, were taken .-Woodson is a prisoner and his house burned down.

A fight took place on the 14th, near Osawattamie, between 200 abolitionis forted up. Fourteen abolitionists were he leaves. killed and sixteen wounded. The abolitionists were repulsed. Lecompton is to be destroyed to-night.

Box A Jockey who was selling a nag honest horse. After the purchase the undeserved as the other. gentleman asked him what he meant by an honest horse. "Why, sir," replied the threatened to throw me, and he certainly as truth and justice will allow. never deceived me."

Never resent a supposed injur till you know the views and motives of the "you are the most sensible woman I ever author of it; nor on any occasion retal-

Kansas Herald Extra. War and Desolation! LECOMPTON TAKEN BY LANE'S

Col. Titus' Company held as Prisoners. Outlaws. Murder and Butche y. SATURDAY, August 16, 1856.

ing intelligence that Lecompton has been taken by Lane's myrmidons, and that our friends are at the mercy of the armed rufand preparing immediately on their arri-val to carry out their avowed purpose of by at least 400, there is no possibility of fians. The attack was made this morning about the dawn of day. Our friends resisted the attack as long as they could, armed myrmidons, who numbered 800all armed to the teeth. The following dispatch, addressed to Cel. Payne, of the cannon was distinctly heard. Lane is in 4th Regiment, tells a sad and dreadful tale. Is there a heart in the breast of any ed. Mr. Sisterre killed. Mr. Clowes Law and Order man in Kansas that will On the 7th inst., Brown, the notorious Lecompton is hourly expected to be atfriends be-To arms! To arms!! To COL. PAYNE AND OTHERS:

NEAR LECOMPTON, Aug. 16, 1856. }
Friends of Law and Order:

On the 13th inst., a party numbering ri. Gen Clark agent of the Potawata- strong. The U. S. troops are also whip- other the stairs wont hold still. The ome fifty attacked the house of Mr. White mies with his family, brings the news as ped and beaten. Will you come to our celebrated Ezra Doolittle, Esq., says that An army of Lane's men have demolish- are out of powder and lead and every forsake father and mother, twist himself house with cannon, his family having just you help us? If so, come at once. Un- that !-

Yours. L. J. HAMPTON. P. S. Col. Titus and men are taken L. J. H.

How many can say "No?" Very few. Still the number is on the increase.

"Well, but I'll pay for it." "O, I'm not speaking of the money." "What then I"

"Loss of health and energy; for I tell ANNA. you what it is, Thomas, I find it up-hill They planted the cannon, which had been taken at Franklin, and attempted to in the name of humanity to come to the does well enough for half an hour, and surround Treadwell's party. The latter rescue, with men and provisions to support then I get lazy and moody, want more, overpowered and scarce of amunition, at- them. We have determined to clean the and become reckless, and that's why I tempted to escape. But as they were on Territory or fall in the attempt. We send can't afford it. So, here's home to din-

> He who has a love for nature can never be alone. In the shell he picks up on the shore-in the leaf fading at his feet-in the grain of sand and the morning dew, he sees enough to employ his mind for hours. Such a mind is never idle -He studies the work of his master which be sees all around him and finds a pleasure of which the devotee of sin and folly

If a girl has pretty teeth, she wear a short dress-and if she's got a neat hand, she's fond of a game of whist-if the reverse, she dislikes all these small of their outstanding accounts. Neal & affairs.

it is all pure innocence." "I quite agree of the firm, which was Catchum & Cheatwith you," replied the other. "It is pure um, inscribed in the usual manner upon in-no-sense."

Why should Senator Sumper learn

Because brooks upset his equlibrium There is but a breath of air and a beat of the heart betwixt this world and

Why is an unwelcome visitor like and twelve pro-slavery men, who were a shady tree? Because we are glad when

> Who discovereth secrets' loseth his credit and shall never find a real friend to his mind.

Modest men conceal their joys as to a gentleman observed that he was an their sorrows, for they consider the one as By taking revenge a man is but

Always take the part of an absent seller, "whenever I rode him he always person who is censured in company, so far "Mr. Smith, the hogs are getting

in the cornfield." "Never mind, Billy,

I'm sleepy-corn wont hurt 'em." Graves are but the prints of the footsteps of the angel of eternal life,

RAYS.

A man that has nothing to do generally does wrong. Give a boy a holiday, and in less than an hour a dog will have him by the cordurous for robbing an apple orchard .- To succeed in the world, all Sheriff Jone's house Threatened by the that is necessary is a sweetheart and ambition. We care not how lazy a man may be, only get him in love and he'll work An express has just arrived here bring- like a beaver fed on beer .-- If you require a person to become security for you, don't ask the man who promised he would do anything for you when he knew you didn't want anything done.

HERE'S A POINTED EPITAPH. "Here lies Polly Wayne-when her life was

spent.
She kicked up her heels and up she went." Hope paves the golden way to bliss and heerfulness is the lamp that lights the eauteous way. The five great evils of life are said to be, standing collars, stove pipe hats, tight boots, bad whiskey and cross women .- Good humor is the of talent will shine more clearly .woman's tongue has been found capable, on actual experiment, to move 1,620 times in a minute !- Such A GITTING UP STAIRS .- A tipsy man in Orange county, New York, mistook a mill for his house, morning about daylight, whipped and ta- the other night, and when found was ken prisoners our men. Lecompton is ta- climbing an overshot wheel. On being ken and deserted by the women and chil- asked what he was doing, he said he was dren. These are Lane's men, about 800 "trying to go up to bed, but some how or rescue before we are all murdered? We a pretty gal is enough to make a feller

RURAL COMFORTS. Oh! how it pleases, when the breezes, Amidst the treezes wheezes, And the little nacked urchins the squalling geeses teazes! And when the cowses released from the plough-

And when old grandpa's spouse's, Spectacles on her nose is; And quietly she's darniny the old man's clothe-

Taking long stitches in the seat of his breeches,
"Thank ye, Thomas, but I can't afford
"Thank ye, Thomas, but I can't afford the search of his breeches, but I can't afford the search o

EPIGRAM. LOTHARIO.—Ah! dearest Anna, of your love Pm dying, And at your feet I lie

WELL HE COULD.

"Can'st thou love me gentle stranger?
Blushing like a rose she stood;
And the knight at once admitted,
That he 'rather thought he could.'" He was about the size and build of a plug

free-soil and apple-butter. "Who are you?" we asked rather sternly. "Me?" said Young America, trying to

of "dog leg" tobacco, and his face was

look brave; "I'm one of 'em! don't you We had a very pleasant rain on

Titles of Firms.

last Sunday.

One of the best titles for a mercantile firm that we have ever seen is Call & Setlaughs often-if she's got a small foot she'll tle, which is painted in golden letters on a sign in one of our Eastern cities. Customers are reminded every time they pass Pray is the name of another firm. But the following beats all. 'Two attorneys,' "Sir," said a man defending a says an old newspaper, 'in partnership in rather notorious character, "I assure you a town in the United States had the name their office door; but as the singularity and ominous juxtaposition of the words led to many a coarse joke from passers by, the men of law attempted to destroy, in part, he effect of the old association, by the insertion of the initials of their Christian names, happened to be Isaiah and Uriah; but this made the affair three times worse. for the inscription ran:

'I Catchum & U Cheatum! n trouble eh ?"

"Yes, Jem; Yes." "Well, well, cheer up, man; adversity ries us, and shows our better qualities." "Ah. but adversity did'nt try me it was Patriotism? In the empty pocket of Cor-County Judge, and he showed up my worst qualities."

ven with his enemy, but in passing over an injury he becomes his superior. Those who most readily find a

God to swear by seldom find one to pray hunting grounds of hope are made waste

but kindness should be always so.

SHORT PATENT SERMONS.

A MORALIZING DISCOURSE.

BY DOW, JR. TEXT. Pah by ji aun Ne be nau kening Wabi megwissum

Nene mooshain we Odishquagume. BROTHERS-Nai! nin de nah dush was ninemooshai wee hoo-wah hoo! Beg par-nokwenabikoo nosh monetog ne mud don, my hearers, I imagined myself Manito nussepsinwahik ashkoshqut hau preaching to an Indian audience. Don't kuppogkomunk pomantum nummatwomog be scared-I shall deliver a white dis-

course from a copper-colored text; but I fear you will find the threads of it most amazingly tangled up. 'Pa bo ji aun' that lives and moves and has a being upon earth; for 'all flesh is grass,' according to blue sky of the soul, in which every star left to wither upon the sod that gave it either be mown down in its greenness or birth. You are nothing but grass, my friends. Many of you are verdant and young blades, that I see before me, are so green it would be dangerous for them to venture among cattle; and numbers of the feminine clover heads that adorn my audience, are so blooming and lovely it requires a high fence of virtue to protect them. 'Ia indendindum yah'-look over the fields of the past, and see what sad mowings has been done among the grass of humanity! Behold how scientifically Death swung his sythe upon the plains of Abraham, at Waterloo, Thermopylæ, Marathon, Monmouth, Bunker Hill, and Chepatchet! What a waste of fodder for memory to mourn over! See, too, how the pestilence, like a dread Simoon, has swent over the meadows of mortality, and withered for ever whole acres of some of the best and tallest grass ever cultivated by the hand of time. You are green and thriv-

ing to-day, my brethren, but to-morrow-

goes the grass, and there lies the hay!

'kussussegunum weetepumme!'-down

My friends-'Ne be nau be koning'-

not a few of you are as wise as owls and

as honest as oxen, for be it known that laziness is the true test of wisdom and honesty. Fools and knaves are the only will laugh at it. ones who are constantly active: The fool busies himself in catching flis, and the virtue; but you run ou the track-get bewildered-inquire the way to heaven, and then take the road to hell. With all your wisdom, you can't appear respectable before the Great Spirit unless your hearts are ornamented with the 'ningee egoben' -the white wampum of truth. I regret to say, however, that this article is considered out of fashion, very scarce, and in little demand. Falsehood is thought to be susceptible of a better polish and much more useful; but it is all a mistake, and you will probably find it out when it is too once a beautiful damsel, the daughter of Love and Purity, and clothed with loveliof late that she is shy in her approaches, and looks as shobby as an old setting hen. She had scarce made entrance into the world when she was ill-treated and neglected, and obligen to stand a little back for self-protection. Where, my friends, was Truth when the Lord questioned Cain concerning the whereabout of his brother Abel? Where was Truth when Samson told his wife that all his strength lay in the bottom of his boots? Where was Truth when Peter wouldn't own up, honor-bright? Where was Truth when Santa Anna promised Col. Fanning not to shoot, but ADVERSITY .- "Ah Sam, you've been did shoot !- and where was Truth during the last presidential campaign? She was in her own native heaven-sitting in her own chimney-corner, picking her teeth with the poker. Where then, too, was ruption. And where was Philanthropy? -nowhere in particular, rocking a sick nigger baby in the cradle of liberty? And where, now, are Truth, Justice and Mercy?-planting potatoes in partnership, in some other soil than this. Alas!-'nia'

aungwas agushing!"-how our beautiful

by the fires of sin and avarice!

awav.

There is no grief without some peneficient provision to soften its intense-

Kindness done with a will-a for-

aid to the sledgehammer.

There is nothing so much worth My hearers-I say unto you, 'Wabi megivissum nene mocahain we odishqua- as a mind well instructed.

gumee'-Bury the tomahawk of revenge deep in the dust of friendship: bend not the bow to speed the arrows of anger, but let them remain in the quiver of kindness undipped in the poison of scandal. Cast aside the scalping-knife of cruelt and in-gratitude. Smoke together the pipe of peace, and convert your war-clubs into walking-sticks. Wash the paint of hypocrisy from your faces adorn your heads with the emblems of love-put on the sahwud guhuh aindahnuk ke yauu ke you white wampum of truth, 'ond mar teag

-if not sooner. So mote it be ! HAS THE THING LIT !- A gawky backwoods boy was once at a depot on one of treats of grass, and, consequently, of all the Georgia railroads, and was of course deeply interested in gazing for the first time at the mighty "fixins." Finally, he the Kickapoo Koran; and all grass must got inside of a car, and, while indulging his unbounded curiosity, the whistle screamed the bell rang, and the steam horse began to surge at the rate of "2.40." "O lordy!" shouted the boy; "stop it! stop flourishing, while others are fading and it! I sint a gwine!" and bursting forward. wilting beyond redemption. Some of the he opened the door, and jumped out on the platform. Just then the train was crossing a deep and cavernous looking gorge on the trestle work, and, seeing the earth and tree-tors beneath him, he fainted and fell. Directly he came to, and looking up at the conductor, who stood by him, he exclaimed, with a deep sigh-"O lordy, stranger, has the thing lift"

"Papa, what does the editor lick his Price Current with?"

"Whip it? He don't whip it, my child." "Then he lies, Pa !"

"Hush! Tom, that's a very naughty

"Well, by George! this ere paper says, Price Current carefully corrected,"-and I guess when I gets corrected I gets licked, hey! don't I?"

Be A Yankee baker has invented a new kind of yeast. It makes bread so light that a pound of it only weighs four ounces. If he puts in a little too much, he is obliged to tie his loaves to the counter to keep them from going up like baloons. Some of our readers may look upon this as a very light matter for a newspaper, but we think that no well bred (bread) person

BLACK VS. WHITE .- The other day, nor the bottom of his breeches. But, with excitement in regard to a runaway negro. all your wisdom, you don't know enough to a young woman eloped from her mother to We accosted a little fellow the other day. keep from meddling with edged tools, or go to a house of prostitution. The poor from running into the fire. In your stroll- woman gave chase to her daughter, but ings through life, you don't know enough all the good and pious citizens of Boston some sort of a landscape, done up with to follow the smooth and pleasant walks of were so busy attending to the negro, that the girl came within an ace of getting

> WITTY RESULT .- "What are you going o give me for a Christmas present ?" asked a gay damsel of her lover.

"I have nothing to give you but my humble self," was the reply. "The smallest favors gratefully received," was the merry response of the

A country girl coming from the field, was told by her cousin that she looklate to profit by the discovery. Truth was ed as fresh as a daisy kissed with dew. "Well, it wasn't any fellow by that

name, but Bill Jones that kissed me; conness; but she has been so roughly handled found his picture, I told him that every body would find it out." Jeems, my lad, keep away from the gals. Ven you see one comin' dodge. Just such a critter as that un, cleanin' the

door step on t'other side of the street fool-

ed your poor dad, Jeemy. If it had not een for her, you and yer dad might have been in California hunting dimuns, my son. CONUNDAUMS .- What is the difference between Beecher's bibles and rifle Beech-

One is the people's guardian, the other he D-ls ward.

What sort of trees will best beer removal and transportation? Axle-

The most difficult ascent is getting up a subscription.

une left you by a friend. Hit one of your size, as the nail